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Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner. Enclosed for the Examiner's information is a copy of the Japanese Office Action for corresponding Japanese Patent Application No. 2006-521600 mailed July 29, 2010.

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JP 61-118160 A cited in the Japanese Office Action is the equivalent of U.S. 4,917,775 A. U.S. 4,917,775 A was previously cited in an Information Disclosure Statement on January 31, 2006.

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